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SUBJECT: BULGARIA REACTS TO THE U.S.-INDIA CIVIL NUCLEAR
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Classified By: DCM Jeff Levine for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

11. (C) Poloff delivered reftel demarche to Elizabeth Konstantinova in the MFA's NATO and International Security Directorate March 13. Konstantinova said the GOB did not have an official position on the initiative, but it supported adherence to all non-proliferation regimes to which it is a party. She asked if India would have the right to retain nuclear reactors for military purposes and how this would be accepted by the Nuclear Suppliers Group. Konstantinova noted that India is not a signatory to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and that the Indian subcontinent is a region with many regional security challenges.

12. (C) Action Request: Please provide guidance/background for use in answering Konstantinova's question.
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